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DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL

HONGKONG.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION BY LADY STUBBS.

THE HEADMASTER ON FAR EASTERN EDUCATIONAL PROBLEMS.

The feature of the prize distribution at the Diocesan Boys' School last evening was the valuable report of the Headmaster (the Rev. T. W. Featherstone), who, in a survey of local problems, made important suggestions for the advancement of education in the Far East and its co-relation with educational work at home. Mr. Featherstone concluded with an eloquent appeal for support towards rebuilding and endowing the Diocesan Boys' School.

The Bishop of Victoria presided over the assembly and Lady Stubbs distributed the prizes. Amongst those present were: Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, Hon. Mr. E. Irving (Director of Education), the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, and Mrs. Holyoak, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, E.C., and Mrs. Pollock, the Rev. H. Copley, Mr. Rev. W. Holmes, Dr. N. Teeddale Mackintosh, the Hon. Mr. G. C. Alabaster, Mr. A. H. Compton, and Mr. W. L. Patterson, and others.

THE HEADMASTER'S REPORT.

After the singing of the hymn "O God, our help in ages past," and prayer by the Rev. H. Copley, Mr. Featherstone said:

The Headmaster read a very lengthy report. In the course of it he said that the past three years had been years of exceptional stress and strain, but despite it all the general results in University Examinations and in general school work had never been better. He thanked most cordially the Rev. A. J. S. Stern for the excellent work he did at the school during his (Mr. Featherstone's) absence in England.

Referring to the Staff the Headmaster remarked: "In past years, apart from the Headmaster and Second Master, this School has not kept masters for any length of time. The salaries of Assistant Masters have been increased. If definite prospects were offered to masters with several years of experience and to married masters, and if a Contributory Pension Fund were started there would be no difficulty in this matter. We are thankful that in a school like this we fortunately get much teaching done for teaching's sake, but there are limits beyond which it is not wise to press the claim."

The following further extracts are made from the report.

EQUIPMENT.

The equipment of all schools in Hongkong is below the average in schools in England, Canada and America and is not generally equal to that of other schools in the Far East. I refer to schools which I have visited and by schools in the Far East I mean schools in Singapore, the Philippine, Canton, Shanghai, Peking, and Japan including Tokyo.

During the last few years it has been difficult to get equipment, but in 1920 we have added considerably to our science equipment. This year we are placing an order in England for general school equipment. We have started a regular system of displaying pictures etc. of general interest and work done in the school on school and Class Notice Boards.

Some of the excellent Maps and Drawings which you see on the Boards to-day may quite well be used for school purposes if we can get them suitably mounted. Scholars can help very much in adding to a school's equipment by making models etc. for use in teaching Geography, Drawing, Nature Study and Object Lessons.

DISCIPLINE.

The Government Inspector adjudged the discipline in the school as "Good." This is very satisfactory when we think of the changes we have had in Staff during the year.

EXAMINATIONS.

Nine boys have passed the Matriculation Examination of the Hongkong University, and three were awarded Senior Certificates. In the Junior Examinations the results were excellent; 18 boys passed and we gained no less than 15 distinctions. In the Oxford Preliminary Examination—31 boys passed out of 23 who took the Examination and two Honours were awarded.

STAFFING OF SCHOOLS.

The difficulties of staffing schools are world wide. In January 1919 there was a shortage of 30,000 teachers in England and the ordinary wastage was not filled up that year. In Scotland 6,000 teachers were required in January 1920. In New York State 1,000 Schools were shut down from lack of staff in 1919. In the British Empire it is not so much the matter of salary as the lack of co-operation which causes the shortage in the Colonies. If a master leaves England now he loses all status in England; his time abroad does not count if he returns to England, say, after five or ten years abroad; he has no position with regard to preference at home and he loses his claim to a pension.

If urgent action were taken in the Colonies and a strong statement re the position of things sent home, some change in this matter would be effected. In an interview I had with the Director of Education, Enquiries and Reports at the Education Department in London this course of action was advised. Secondly, local talent could with advantage be encouraged much more than it has been in the past. The Hongkong Government now has an arrangement under which the Government sends annually to Hongkong University a number of Chinese (from Queen's College who desire to be trained as schoolmasters).

If, as in England, boys from all schools and of other than Chinese students could take advantage of this arrangement, it would be a great help to Grant-in-Aid Schools.

The training which elementary school teachers receive at the Technical Institute is very useful. It has been proposed that this branch of the Institute were closed, there would gradually become a still greater shortage of trained elementary school teachers than there is at present. Teachers trained at the Institute are very useful for elementary work in a school like this, and in Elementary Schools.

With regard to untrained English teachers—they are most useful and do excellent work in elementary subjects. From a financial point of view no Government or school can afford a full staff of trained English teachers and there is not a sufficient supply of trained teachers. There are over 15,000 untrained supplementary teachers in Elementary Schools in England and a large number in Secondary Schools.

CONFERENCE OF TEACHERS.

An annual conference of head teachers with a duly appointed sub-committee would be very useful in Hongkong. At present I regret to say there is great lack of co-operation in education. Such a conference or meeting of heads of schools was summoned by the Acting Director of Education in September and October 1919. It has not met since that time. A conference could link together the work of Government schools, grant-in-aid schools and private schools. It would be a great help to individual heads of schools if such matters as the following were discussed in conference:—Local condition in education, general curriculum, the University syllabus, the connection between schools and University, change of school hours in the summer, the drawing up of a regular system of granting testimonials with, e.g., a boy's photograph and signature attached. With regard to this last matter—such a system could prevent boys from wandering from one school to another. In a school where the standard of English is high we often find boys, for example, who have been in Class 4 for three months going to another school and securing a place in Class 3 or even in Class 2. This practice is quite common and should and could be stopped by united action.

No educational system can work efficiently without regular co-operation amongst the various schools, and a conference summoned by the education department would be much more effective than one summoned by heads of schools.

STATEMENT BY NEW SCHOOL.

The Government offer \$204,865 for the present site and buildings. They also offer to grant 17.65 acres of land without premium, on a site adjoining Yau Ma Tei Railway Station.

These terms are conditional upon its being established to the satisfaction of the Government that the authorities of the Diocesan Boys' School are in a position to build a new school and to place the undertaking on a sound financial basis. (Extract from letter from the Colonial Secretary, April 22nd, 1920).

According to the "Grant Code" (Education) Section 10: "A grant not exceeding one half of the actual cost may be made to build a new school." This refers to class-rooms, etc., not dormitories. The estimated cost of the building absolutely necessary at first, including dormitories and excluding chapel, is \$380,000. Of this amount, the estimate cost of class-rooms, etc., alone is about \$164,000.

According to "Grant Code" the Government will make a grant of half this amount, i.e., \$82,000.

This statement is as follows:—
Government offer, site, \$204,865.00
Amount of Grant expected as per Grant Code (about) 80,000.00
Total from Government, \$284,865.00

Estimated cost of essential buildings \$380,000.00
Estimated cost of Equipment (Money or Gifts) about \$50,000.00 70,000.00
Total estimated cost, Buildings and Equipment (say) 450,000.00
Less Government Grant 285,000.00

Amount to be raised now for Buildings \$165,000.00
The terms offered by the Government are conditional upon its being established that the authorities of the Diocesan Boys' School are in a position to place the undertaking on a sound financial basis.

Therefore, in addition to the Amount to be raised for Buildings \$165,000.00 The Committee have decided that they must try and raise an Endowment fund of 100,000.00. That is, the total sum required is 265,000.00.

AN APPEAL.

The school has an excellent reputation for giving a sound practical education; its discipline and general moral tone are well known; it has done good work as an Orphanage; as one of the oldest boarding schools in the Far East it has provided a means of education for boys of all kinds from all parts of the Far East. These facts present a very strong case for support.

The present situation of the school is generally unsatisfactory, consisting of the buildings and the equipment, the lack of room for extension and for games, and the fact that the scheme has been delayed by the exceptional circumstances of the past few years—all make the appeal urgent. A perfectly equipped school, with an efficient staff, good boarding accommodation and playing fields cannot be maintained solely by school fees and Government grants. No special Government grant is given for boarding. An endowment fund is essential. Therefore an appeal is made for money for an endowment fund, in addition to the money required for buildings and equipment. This appeal is made to all old boys, to parents of old boys and of boys at present in the school, to the great business houses of this Colony who profit largely by the results of the labours of boys from a school like this, and to all men who have benefited from the old boarding and day schools at home which were built and heavily endowed by our ancestors—to all the appeal is made to help now in the buildings and the endowment of the new Diocesan Boys' School.

The Bishop of Victoria, and everyone must feel that the report was a very live one, full of encouragement. He congratulated the Headmaster and staff on the work done. He had very much pleasure in asking Lady Stubbs to distribute the prizes.—(Applause).

THE LIST OF PRIZES.

Lady Stubbs then distributed the prizes, in accordance with the following list:—
Class 1: General, A. Prev; Scripture, Kam Chung Fai; English, D. F. Lopez; Mathematics, H. Hunt; Science, M. Prev; Chinese, Kwok Chan; General, C. Y. Wong.

Class 2: General, W. A. Youngs; Scripture, Chan Kam Hon; English, Yuen Kwok Huen; Mathematics, W. A. Youngs; Science, P. Pau; Chinese, Yuen Kwok Huen.

Class 3: General, Wong Lau Yew; Scripture, Ma Hing Cheung; English, Liu Kwok Yee; Mathematics, Wong Lan Yew; Science, W. Barnes; Chinese, Ngai Lam Ku.

Class 4: General, R. Leung; Scripture, A. Randall; Mathematics, L. Cowan.

Class 4b: General, Lau Mo Yee; Mathematics, Wong Ying Yee; Scripture, Chan Ping In; Chinese, Lo Po Yee.

Class 5a: General, A. Reid; Scripture, A. Black; Algebra, Lau Ting.

Class 5b: General, Chan Hing Cheung; Scripture, Pan Yan Nam; Algebra, Yan Yik Hing; Chinese, Yuen Tai Cho.

Class 6a: General, Davis Yung; Dictation, Norman Macay; Writing, Chai Kwok Wa.

Class 6b: General, Li Ho Sang; Reading, Cecil Chan; Chinese, Young Yin Sin; Chinese, Ma Wai Chung.

Class 7a: General, Stephen Reed; Dictation, Donald Anderson.

Class 7b: General, Lau Sui Lin; Reading, Ho Kwai Hung; Chinese, Lau Sui Lin.

Class 8a: General, A. H. Esmail; Writing, N. Stradmoor.

Class 8b: General, Cheung Nam Sang; Reading, Cheung Nam Sang; Chinese, Henry Chan.

Class 8c: General, Li Yin Ming; Reading, Robert Boyd; Chinese, Li Yin Ming.

GIFTS TO LADY STUBBS.

A photograph of the school and specimens of work done by the boys were then presented to Lady Stubbs by three of the pupils.

Lady Stubbs thanked the boys very much for the gifts which were a great surprise to her and would be highly valued. It was a great pleasure to hear the reason she was asked to distribute the prizes, and she would like to congratulate the women teachers on the splendid way they carried on through the war. (Applause.) She also congratulated the boys and the school on the high number of certificates secured in the Oxford Local Examinations.—(Applause.)

Thirdly, she had a message from her husband, to say he hoped very much that the school would be able to form a Boy Scout Troop. Girl guides were being started and it would be a good thing for the Boy Scout movement to proceed alongside the girl guides.—(Applause.)

The Bishop of Victoria said he was asked on behalf of the staff and the boys to express gratitude to Lady Stubbs for the encouragement of her presence. He would take the opportunity of saying how much the school owed to the thoroughgoing work of the Headmaster. All present must feel that there was a thrill of life in the school and that it was making a real contribution to the life of the community.—(Applause.)—Between efficiency in education and accommodation there was a close connection. He hoped Lady Stubbs might soon be invited to give away the prizes to the same school, but in a different building.—(Applause.)

Mr. Compton, as treasurer of the school, introduced by the Bishop as one to whom the school owed a great deal, seconded the vote of thanks to Lady Stubbs. He remarked that the school could certainly go ahead if it were supported, although it necessarily required a good deal of support, its schemes being rather large. There was a great future in the Colony for boys who were properly educated. Education involved not only mind but body, so it was to be hoped that the school would soon be better accommodated, with ample playing fields, on the other side of the water.

The vote of thanks was carried with acclamation and the proceedings concluded with the National Anthem and three cheers for Lady Stubbs, the visitors and the Headmaster and staff. The orderly smartness of the boys throughout was generally commented upon. An interesting exhibition of their work was on view and much of it was exceedingly good.

"HELLO" OUT OF DATE.

The new volume of the London Telephone Directory contains nearly a thousand pages, two of which are devoted to suggestions to the subscriber as to how to use the telephone. The remainder are still headed with remarks containing advice and admonition. In former volumes this idea of giving gratuitous advice to the subscriber has been adopted with a certain amount of success, but the tendency has always been to assume that, if anything does not work perfectly smoothly, the fault lies with the public. Now it is to be realized that, while the subscriber has many duties, he also has a limited number of rights, and two entirely new paragraphs are inserted dealing with these rights. The first of these contains an invitation to all subscribers to visit their local exchange in order to acquaint themselves with the practical working of the telephone system. The second invites those sending switchboards to send the attendants for free training in their use as the expense of the State. The remarks at the top of each page are quite up to their old standard, and a violent attack is now being made on the use of the word "Hello" in telephone conversation. The subscriber is warned: "Give your name or number before conversation." Do not say "Hello."

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PEKING-HANKOW RAILWAY ADMINISTRATION. [130]

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COMPANY REPORTS.

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The result of the year's working, subject to audit, is as follows:—
Gross profit (after charging depreciation) £94,083. 0.10
Less: loan interest, 7,787. 6. 0
Brought forward from 1919 £3,411.14.4

Less: Contingent liability a/c £50,000. 0.0
Interest dividend of 15s. per share 19,187.10.0
Balance £31,224. 4.4

The directors now recommend a final dividend of 1s. 3d. per share, amounting to £20,312.10s. (to be payable in April next) in exchange of 3s. 2d. = 38.47 cents per share, leaving £10,911.14.4 to be carried forward.

BANK OF EAST ASIA, LTD.

The report of the directors for the year ending 31st December, 1920, states:—
The profit for the year after deducting all expenses amounts to \$643,749.10 which your directors propose to deal with as follows:—

To pay a dividend of 6 per cent. on the paid up capital amounting to \$150,000.00
To pay a bonus of 2 per cent. on the paid up capital amounting to 40,000.00
To pay a bonus to directors, holders of founders' shares and staff 77,703.69
To write off organization expenses (Shanghai Branch) 7,825.73
To write off Bank premises account 30,000.00
To transfer to the staff provident fund 2,584.36
To transfer to reserve fund 300,000.00
To carry forward 65,683.32
\$643,749.10

Directors.—In accordance with the Articles of Association Messrs. Fung Ping Shung, P. K. Kwok and Ng Chang Luk now retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, who retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD.

The report for the year ending December 31st, 1920, states:—

The profit on working was \$661,619.98 as compared with \$698,120 in 1919. The net profit for the year after deducting Directors' and Auditors' fees, and paying for repairs is \$664,621.71. The amount brought forward from last year is \$169,906.23 making a total of \$1,051,637.94 available for appropriation. The directors recommend the following:—

To pay a dividend of \$6 per share \$480,000.00
To pay a bonus of \$2.50 per share 200,000.00
To write off launches 5,000.00
To write off lighters 9,450.00
To write off machinery and plant 4,832.00
To write off Kowloon wharves 67,088.64
To write off railways and rolling stock 10,000.00
To write off buildings 25,000.00
To carry forward to new account 250,167.30
\$1,051,637.94

Directors.—The directors have to record with much regret the death of Mr. D. K. Moss. The vacancy was filled by Mr. D. M. Graham.

During the year Messrs. J. W. O. Bonnar, S. H. Dodwell and C. S. Gubbay resigned and their places were taken by Messrs. A. O. Lang, G. M. Dodwell, and A. S. Gubbay.

Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr and Mr. A. H. Compton retire, according to the Articles of Association and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

DISCOVERY IN GARDEN OF GETSEMANE.

The excavations at Ascension, undertaken by the recently formed Department of Antiquities in Palestine, have yielded some satisfactory finds in the form of gigantic marble pillars and statues.

An interesting discovery was made in the Garden of Gethsemane, at the foot of the Mount of Olives. The garden is in the hands of the Franciscans, who in the course of digging the foundations for a new chapel, came across the remains of a medieval church, and later on, of a fourteenth century church, of which it is now possible to make out the whole of the original design, while added interest has been afforded by the discovery of some of the original mosaic pavements.

As the foundations of this fourteenth century church extended beyond the garden, the remains of other communities came into question, but the Department of Antiquities has been able satisfactorily to settle whatever difficulties might have arisen, and the remains will be properly preserved.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(BEFORE HIS HONOUR THE ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE (MR. H. H. J. COMPTON).)

CARGO PILFERING CASE.

At the adjourned Criminal Sessions, yesterday, the trial took place of Lai Lai, ship's tallyman, one of the defendants in the Holt's Wharf cargo pilfering case.

At the outset preparations were made to try the cases of Lai Lai and Li Ming together. Both were charged on two counts, for the theft of four cases of piece goods and three bales of blankets. Li Ming was charged on the additional count of receiving stolen goods.

Mr. Wakeman, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr. F. C. Jenkin appeared for the defendant Li Ming.

Mr. Jenkin objected to the two men being tried together, and asked that separate trials be held. It developed that, owing to a misunderstanding, the Crown thought Mr. Jenkin had waived objection to the trials going on together. His Lordship directed that the two men be tried separately. The trial of Lai Lai proceeded.

The following jury was empanelled: E. G. Smith, O. R. Benson, J. F. Smirke, H. Dreyer, J. Sloan, L. J. Davies, H. Davis. In place of Mr. Silva, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., who was empanelled as a juror, Mr. Dragg was empanelled, as the Crown Solicitor pointed out that Mr. Silva's firm was interested in the case.

Mr. Wakeman, outlining the case, described the process of unloading a ship at Holt's Wharf. Before the ship arrives a list is made out in a check book of the goods expected and handed to the godown keeper. The No. 1 tallyman, in this case Lai Lai, is in charge of the tallymen. As the cargo is unloaded, it is checked off on the sheets and when completed, the sheets are collected by the No. 1 tallyman. As the goods are taken in the godown they are called out and marked off in the check book. The book submitted in this case shows there were expected to arrive a number of cases of piece goods, and bales of blankets of distinctive marking. It was Lai Lai's duty to collect the various tally sheets and hand them over to the office. The unloading of the ship took several days. On December 23rd the manager of Holt's Wharf, on information he had received, sent for all the books concerning the *Rhesus*. He saw that certain marks in the book and on the tally sheets did not correspond, and that certain marks in the check books appeared to have been erased. A witness, Ko Yu, would tell that Lai Lai proposed to take some of the goods, and conceal the theft by manipulation of the marks.

Mr. Charles Butler Biggs, Wharf manager of Holt's Wharf, was called. He identified Lai Lai as a ship's tallyman, representing the ship's company on board the ship. He was in charge of the tallymen at the hatches. Three of the tally sheets purported to have been signed by a man who was not in the employ of the company. These tally sheets have no entry of the goods reported missing. These goods were not entered.

The prisoner was found unanimously guilty, and His Lordship sentenced him to three years' hard labour on the first count of simple larceny and five years on the count of larceny from a wharf, the sentences to run concurrently.

COOLIE'S SUSPICIOUS CONDUCT.

A FANCIFUL EXPLANATION DISBELIEVED.

At the Magistracy, before Mr. Orme, yesterday, a Chinese coolie employed at the Naval Dockyard was charged with being on enclosed premises for an unlawful purpose at 5 a.m., on January 12th.

Two European police sergeants gave evidence that when patrolling Queen's Road they saw the defendant descending by a drain-pipe from No. 69, Queen's Road East. When he saw them he ran down St. Francis Street. He was called upon to stop but did not do so; a shot was therefore fired over his head. Still he did not stop, so a second shot was fired which struck him in the back of the neck. He was then taken to the Police Station and thence to the Hospital.

Inspector Kent said the defendant was discharged from Hospital on the previous day. His story was that a ricksha ran over his foot; he threw his shoes at the ricksha coolie; they went over the man's head and caught on the signboard of a shop, and he climbed up to get them. A constable was sent to investigate this story but could find no shoes.

The defendant repeated this story to the Magistrate with a wealth of detail and with great seriousness. The Magistrate said the shoe story does not appeal to me. I have tried that on at school myself.

Inspector Kent: It seems impossible for the shoes to stick to the signboard. The Magistrate: Perhaps he had some other motive; he might have been after the ladies for instance.

A previous conviction for larceny was proved against the defendant.

The Magistrate said that in consideration of the damage he had received he would let the defendant off more lightly than he would otherwise have done, and only sentence him to 21 days' imprisonment.

A SECRET SOCIETY BOOK.

COOLIE FINED FOR ILLEGAL POSSESSION.

At the Magistracy, before Mr. Orme, yesterday, Pak Tin Kai, coolie employed by Mr. J. H. Wallace, 134, Plantation Road, The Peak, was charged with being in unlawful possession of the writings of a secret society.

Mr. F. E. Nash defended. Sub-Inspector Culleyford said that on January 19th, he went to Mr. Wallace's house, 134, Plantation Road, and searched the defendant's box. He found at the top a book relative to the Triad Society. Defendant snatched the book from him and tried to set fire to it in the store. It was rescued, partly burned, from the flames.

In cross-examination the Inspector said he went to the house in connection with the reported loss of two diamond pins. At first they thought the pins were hidden in the book and that that accounted for the anxiety of the defendant to get rid of it. A Chinese police officer with the witness called his attention to the nature of the book.

Wong Cheuk Kai, clerk in the Chief Detective Inspector's office, said he had made a study of the writings and signs of the Triad Society. The book produced contained five poems of the Triad Society. The witness directed the Magistrate's attention to passages in the book which corresponded with references in Mr. William Stanton's standard work, "The Triad Society, or Heaven and Earth Association," Kelly and Walsh (1900).

Cross-examination, he said the book was in ordinary Chinese character, but some of the signs had a hidden meaning.

The defendant, giving evidence on his own behalf, said the book was not his but belonged to a friend. He was keeping it for him and had not read it; he was not a scholar. He would have destroyed the book if he had known it was illegal.

The Magistrate pointed out to the defendant that the evidence was that the book was at the top of the box.

Mr. Nash handed in a letter from Mr. Wallace speaking to the defendant's good character.

The Magistrate: It would be no aspersion on his moral character to be a member of a secret society. The society is objectionable and dangerous because the members are banded together, not only for good but for evil.

Mr. Nash urged that unless there was proof that the defendant was actually a member of the Triad Society he should not be convicted. The Magistrate replied that the law assumed that the possessor of a book was a member of the Society, unless there was direct evidence to the contrary. A Society like this was a danger to the peace of the Colony. Having regard to the defendant's good character, and 17 years' record with one employer, he would give the option of a fine—100 dollars or one month's imprisonment.

PEER'S LIFE MENACED.

ALLEGED THREAT TO KILL LORD INCHCAPE.

Letters of an extraordinary character were read at Horseferry under a charge against Mervyn Ivor Holden, 17, motor engineer, Woodhall Spa, of demanding money by means of threats from Lord Inchcape, chairman of the P. & O. Company.

Supt. Rawling, for the prosecution, explained that two letters were received at Lendalburgh Street, London, addressed to Lord Inchcape, and after being opened they were handed to his lordship. The matter was reported to the London police, and a hide-out package was placed in the ruins at Kirkstead Abbey, as indicated in the second letter. A continuous watch was kept on the abbey ruins, and accused was seen to go to the spot and take out the package. He was detected by a policeman, and then threw the package back in the hole again. In answer to the policeman's question of "What's the game?" Holden replied, "I am a person's son, and don't want to be mixed up in this business." The first letter received was as follows:—

Headquarters, Sir, We have the honour of addressing you in your capacity of chairman of the P. & O. Company. For some time past you have been under close observation, your personal character being noted as we were during the last few years have also been excessive to the last degree. We now demand that you hand over to us the sum of £100 without fail. This sum is to be paid to us on the night of November 24th at 7.15 p.m. at Kirkstead Abbey ruins. You will affix a white chalk mark on the brick where the money is concealed. Take notice that if you approach any police authorities on this matter you will be shot without mercy. You are also warned that if any person is employed by you against us we will at once put and sink any vessel that leaves the British Isles. Therefore, beware as to how you carry this matter through or it may end in needless bloodshed. Proceed to Woodhall Spa, Lincs. We remain, yours truly, The War Profit Liquidation Syndicate.

The second letter, or "final warning," marked urgent, was in the following terms:—

Sir, We regret that we have to supply you with a second and final warning. We beg to inform you that you will not increase the frequency of the company by playing 'fools' tricks. We took note of the proceedings on the night of November 24th, 1920. Therefore, if you value your position and life you will carry out these instructions without fail.

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SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

HONGKONG LEAGUE.

DIVISION 1.

R.G.A. 4; HONGKONG POLICE 0

This match, postponed from January 15th, was played on the Club ground yesterday afternoon. The Police started the game against a strong wind and (singing the song). They took up the attack and forced a corner which the R.G.A. cleared. Keith McHugh, running through, opened the scoring. The R.G.A. again took up the attack and Wilson, running down the wing, centred for McHugh to head into the net. Wilson came again and, beating the back, went in and scored. Keeping up the pressure, McHugh, receiving a pass from Watson, put the R.G.A. four up in less than twenty minutes' play. No further scoring took place before half-time.

On resuming, the Police re-arranged their side and with the wind in their favour had a fair share of the game. No scoring took place in the second half and the R.G.A. left the field winners by 4 goals to nil.

Mr. Jones was the referee.

HONGKONG LEAGUE TABLE.

(Position in Division I, up to January 27th.)

CLUB	P	W	L	D	F	A	PTS.
Wingloose	10	8	1	1	20	10	17
R.G.A.	10	6	2	2	17	9	14
Hongkong Club	10	5	2	3	17	5	13
Kowloon	11	4	4	3	13	13	11
Tamara	9	5	4	0	17	13	10
S.C.A.	10	3	3	4	10	11	10
Hongkong Police	9	1	6	2	6	18	4
Ambros	8	1	7	1	8	26	3
Titanic	8	1	5	0	3	9	2

UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

(Position up to January 27th.)

CLUB	P	W	L	D	F	A	PTS.
Hacking	10	7	0	3	26	9	17
Tamara	10	6	2	2	20	13	14
Ambros	12	4	6	2	14	23	10
Wingloose	9	3	3	3	18	14	10
Corinth	7	2	3	2	6	8	6
R.G.A.	8	2	5	1	9	13	5
Curlew	8	2	5	1	9	18	5

The 2nd Division fixtures for Saturday, January 28th:—

Kowloon v. Rereio, St. Joseph's ground, at 4 p.m.

South China v. Carlisle, South China ground, at 4 p.m.

Club v. Indians, Club ground, at 2.30 p.m.

Oilers v. United v. Punjab, Navy "A" ground, at 2.30 p.m.

The R.G.A. v. St. Joseph and United v. Staff and Depts. matches have been postponed.

KOWLOON v. R.G.A.

In this first division match on the Navy "B" ground, tomorrow (kick-off, 4 p.m.), Kowloon will be represented by—W. Crocker, E. Wheeler and T. L. Knight; J. Copland, J. Mair and B. Pasco; W. Taylor, C. B. Millard, B. E. Townsend, P. Evelyn and P. R. Beasley.

KOWLOON v. CLUB DE RECREIO.

In this second division match on St. Joseph's ground on Saturday (kick-off, 4 p.m.), the Kowloon team will consist of:—J. McKay, E. Mason and S. Adams; R. Roberts, S. H. Hower and A. Spurr; E. Donovan, A. Palmer, J. Combs, A. Estorfe and A. Blythe.

BILLIARDS.

In the Palace Hotel tournament, last night, B. Carr (—125) beat C. Hatch (—100), scores 250 and 68, respectively; S. de Silva (—200) beat B. Harding (—50), scores 150 and 61, respectively.

On Thursday night, November 11th, 1920, the money is to be placed at Kirkstead Abbey ruins as stated before. It is to consist of £100 in currency notes only. On the left-hand side of the Abbey you will see a deep recess about the centre of the wall; the money is to be placed here. This is to be carried out precisely at 10 p.m. and you or any other person found in the vicinity after 10.30 p.m. will be fired on. Take notice that there is to be no mark on the wall. Conceal the money so that the hole in the bricks is not suspected by anybody. Keep everything in connection with this affair secret, and remember the warnings which we have given you. Failure this time will spell death to you and many more innocent people. Rewarned is forewarned. Your truly, War Profit Liquidation Syndicate.

Evidence of the package being secreted was given, and Inspector Skinner remarked that when charged accused asked, "How can they prove it against me?" Holden had in his possession a pocket-book containing an advertisement of the P. & O. Company and a newspaper cutting reporting the robbery of £12,000 worth of jewellery from Lady Inchcape's London residence. Defendant pleaded not guilty, and reserved his defence. He was committed for trial on bail.

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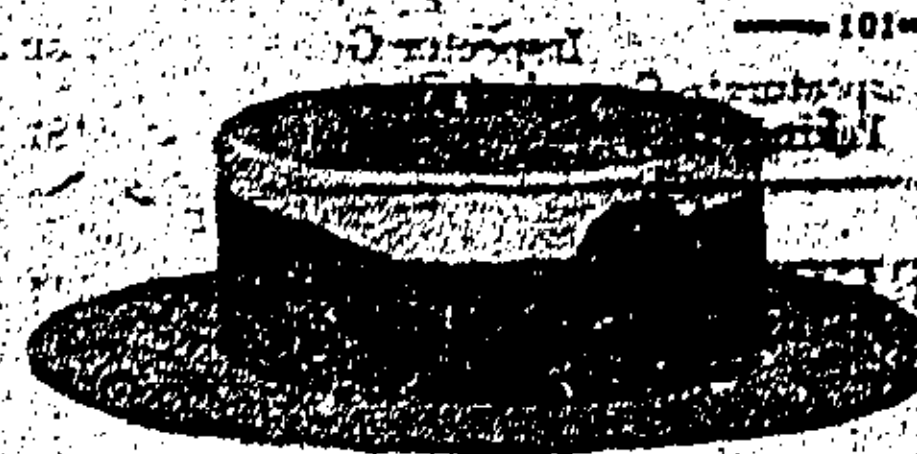
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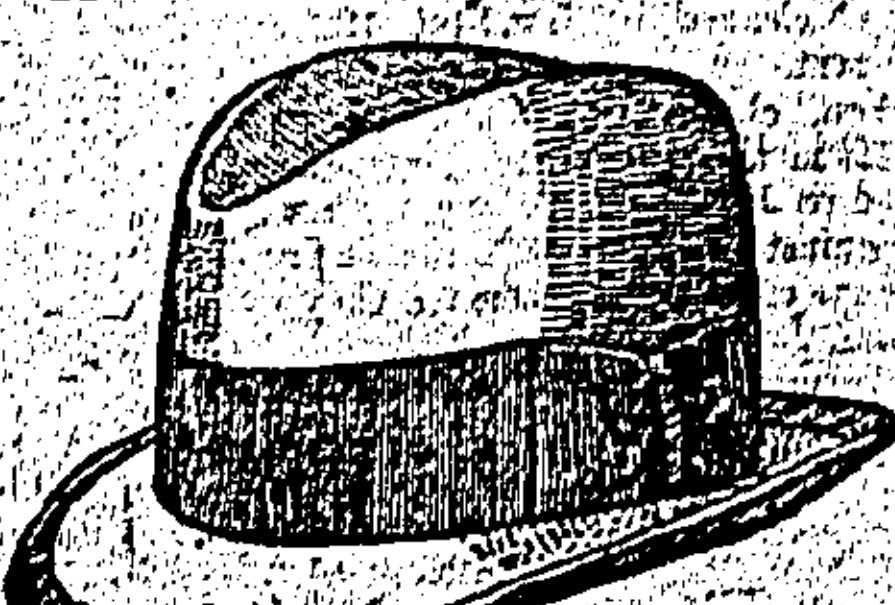
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NOTICE

FIRMS which have commenced business in Hongkong during 1920 are invited to send a notification to the office of this newspaper before the end of the month for gratuitous inclusion in the forthcoming 59th Annual Issue of THE DIRECTORY AND CHRONICLE OF CHINA, JAPAN, Etc.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the Hongkong Daily Press, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, (as announced in May and June of last year) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

G. R. PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 31st day of JANUARY, 1921, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the GOVERNOR, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Ma Tau Kok, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot	Boundary Measurements	Area in Acres	Area in Sq. Yds.	Area in Sq. Ft.	Area in Sq. M.	Area in Sq. Km.
1	200	200	300	300	60,000	244,000

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot	Boundary Measurements	Area in Acres	Area in Sq. Yds.	Area in Sq. Ft.	Area in Sq. M.	Area in Sq. Km.
1	70	70	140	140	9,800	122,400

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LTD. AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "AGAMEMNON" FROM NEW YORK.

are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into the Godowns, where it will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after Jan. 27th.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesday and Friday between the hours of 10 A.M. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after Feb. 2nd, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before Feb. 16th, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatsoever.

THE EAST ASIATIC CO., LTD. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM SCANDINAVIA.

THE Motorship "CHILE" having arrived from the above ports on Jan. 24th, 1921, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesday and Friday between the hours of 10 A.M. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after Feb. 2nd, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesday and Friday between the hours of 10 A.M. and noon within the free storage period.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatsoever.

Hills of Lading will be counterchecked by Messrs. THORSEN & CO., Agents.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

SAINT STEPHEN'S COLLEGE HONGKONG.

HIS EXCELLENCY the GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG has kindly consented to distribute the PRIZES on SATURDAY, the 29th JANUARY, 1921, at 11 A.M. The honour of your attendance is requested. [323]

IMPORT-EXPORT

GENTLEMAN, with large experience in the Import and Export Trade in South China and capable of taking charge of departments, is open for immediate engagement. For further particulars, please communicate with—Box 397, c/o Hongkong Daily Press. [325]

NOTICE.

THE SHARE-HOLDERS of the BANQUE INDUSRIELLE DE CHINE are hereby informed that an INTERIM DIVIDEND of Frs. 20 per Share will be paid from FEBRUARY 1st, 1921, on presentation of their certificates at the Head Office, in Paris, and at any of its Agencies. Hongkong, January 20th, 1921. [326]

THE LIVERPOOL & LONDON & GLOBE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that as from the 1st day of February next, Mr. WILLIAM ERIC HALE will take charge of the Company's business in Hongkong as Acting Local Manager. Hongkong, January 22nd, 1921. [328]

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4th, 1921, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1920. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, January 25th, 1921, to FRIDAY, February 4th, 1921, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors, W. S. BROWN, Secretary. Hongkong, January 20th, 1921. [329]

THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

THE Directors of the above Company have declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND on Deferred Shares for the year 1920, at the rate of \$1 per Share. Dividend Shares are free of Income Tax and will be paid at the rate of 9/10 per dollar. Dividend Warrants will be obtainable on and after SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1st, 1921, at the Company's Office. TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from February 1st, to February 26th, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers. Hongkong, January 26th, 1921. [315]

THE NATIONAL LOAN OF THE THIRD YEAR OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA

(1914), \$18,000,000 AND SUPPLEMENT ISSUE OF \$3,000,000.

THE NATIONAL LOAN OF THE FOURTH YEAR OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA

(1915), \$34,000,000.

ON the 6th June, 1917, the undersigned notified Subscribers to the above Two LOANS that in pursuance of arrangements made with the Chinese Government the loan service as regards interest payments would in future be adequately secured.

In regard to the redemption of the Loans it was impossible at the time to make any announcement. The Memorandum of 1916 affected the Loan Service, and although drawings have been proceeded with as funds permitted, Redemption has been irregular and behind the scheduled dates.

Arrangements have now been made which will enable annual drawings of each loan to be undertaken until their extinction, in 1924 in the case of the 4th Year Loan, and 1925 in the case of the 3rd Year Loan.

The Ministry of Finance will notify in due course the date of the drawings to take place this year, with date and place of repayment.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL RACE WEEK.

DINNER DANCES will be held on the following dates:— WEDNESDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, 1921. SATURDAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1921.

DEBUT DAY. THURSDAY, 24th FEBRUARY, 1921. FANCY DRESS BALL AND SUPPER (Fancy Dress optional).

TICKETS \$5 PER HEAD INCLUDING SUPPER AND REFRESHMENTS. (In view of the fact that the accommodation will be limited and in order to avoid overcrowding, intending patrons are advised to book early.) [324]

INTIMATIONS

THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, JANUARY 29th, 1921, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, January 19th, to FRIDAY, January 28th, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Secretary. Hongkong, January 12th, 1921. [319]

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, JANUARY 29th, 1921, at 11.40 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, January 19th, to FRIDAY, January 28th, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Secretary. Hongkong, January 12th, 1921. [320]

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, JANUARY 29th, 1921, at 11.40 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, January 19th, to FRIDAY, January 28th, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Secretary. Hongkong, January 12th, 1921. [321]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, JANUARY 29th, 1921, at 11.40 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, January 19th, to FRIDAY, January 28th, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Secretary. Hongkong, January 12th, 1921. [322]

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4th, 1921, at 12 O'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, January 19th, to FRIDAY, January 28th, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Secretary. Hongkong, January 12th, 1921. [323]

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7th, 1921, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from January 25th to February 7th, 1921, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, JOHN ARNOLD, Secretary. Hongkong, January 12th, 1921. [322]

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the above Club will be held at the Club House, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 1st of FEBRUARY, 1921, at 6.30 P.M., to consider the question of admitting Ladies as Members &/or Subscribers to the Club.

Should there be a majority of three-fourths (or approximately so) in favour, Extraordinary General Meetings will be called to pass and confirm resolutions making the necessary alterations to the Articles of Association.

By Order, L. S. GREENHILL, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, January 20th, 1921. [320]

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MARRIAGE.

BOYD-SHIRE, At St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, on Wednesday, January 28th, JAMES BOYD, Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, Hongkong, to MISS SHIRE, daughter of the late John Shire, and of Mrs. Shire, Leeds. [319]

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 28TH, 1921.

THE CANTON, GOVERNMENT AND THE CUSTOMS.

The political causes calling itself "The Military Government of the Republic of China at Canton" has issued a brief official statement saying that "unnecessary alarm" has been created by "the absurd report" that this Government is about to seize the Maritime Customs.

The Military Government, it says, only desires to put itself in place of the so-called Peking Government in the Constitutional Provinces. So long as it was a mere "desire" nobody would be seriously alarmed, but the Military Government has gone a step further. It has given formal notice of its intention to take the control out of the hands of the recognised Government of China.

If the execution of such a notice does not amount to a seizure, then we do not know any other single word in the English language which will adequately convey what the Military Government clearly intends. The assurance that "the Military Government will not in the least jeopardise the interests of foreign bondholders or interfere with the existing management of the Customs," is one which cannot be accepted as entirely satisfactory because it is manifestly beyond the power of the Military Government at Canton to guarantee that. There is no evidence that the control of this "Military Government of the Republic of China" extends beyond the one province of Kwangtung. Yet the warning is conveyed in the latest official statement that "any unreasonable opposition to the action of the Military Government will necessarily support the corrupt

Peking Government and retard the prospect of peace." That is sheer buncombe. Whether the Peking Government is corrupt or not is entirely beside the question. The Maritime Customs revenue is adequately protected against misappropriation, or it would not have been accepted as security for foreign loans. A step such as this Military Government contemplates taking on February 1st is bound to weaken the confidence of foreign bondholders in the security, for they will argue—and quite reasonably argue: If a so-called Government at Canton can "control" the Customs in the province of Kwangtung, what is to prevent similar cliques in other provinces claiming the right to do likewise? Let the example once be set, and, sooner or later, it is certain to be copied.

An "International Jurist"—by which we assume is meant a Chinese student of International Law—contributes to the Canton Times a statement in which he takes unnecessary pains to make it clear that the Maritime Customs Service is a part of the Chinese official system. We are not aware that this has been disputed or that the fact is not clearly recognised by the foreign bondholders. What they are concerned with is the fact that the revenues of the Service have been pledged as security for foreign loans and that divided control of the Service weakens confidence in the security, especially when one of the controlling authorities is not recognised by the Foreign Powers as a legally constituted Government. In the circumstances it is ridiculous to argue that the Powers by "holding up the surplus to which the Military Government is entitled until the whole country is united again," have committed an act contrary to the established theory and practice of international law.

The Military Government at Canton is in no position to prove its claim to be in absolute and exclusive control of the South-West provinces. It is obvious that its control at present does not extend beyond the confines of the province of Kwangtung—and even in that circumscribed area its control is not "absolute and exclusive." For example, it does not control a national institution like the Chinese Post Office, and obviously cannot control it by any conceivable means save by common agreement with the rest of China. There has been some suggestion that the control of the Post Office should be the next move of the Military Government, but that would be a step more easily to be countered by the Peking Government than is, perhaps, the annexation of the Customs revenue, for the province could be easily isolated from the national system of postal service. Of what may happen in the case of the annexation of the Customs revenues, no information from any responsible source is yet available, but we do not suppose that the provinces will be allowed to exercise their own sweet wills in the matter, for that would represent the abdication of authority by the only Government the Powers of the world recognise in China—and what that would presently lead to heaven only knows.

H.E. the Governor distributes the prizes at St. Stephen's College to-morrow.

The *Jiji* learns that huge deposits of coal of the best quality have been discovered in Saghalien, ten versts from Alexandrovsk.

Another grand matinee by Mlle. Mirowsa and M. Leo Podolsky is advertised for Monday, February 7th, to be given at the Theatre Royal.

The current issue of the *Far Eastern Review* contains an illustrated article on Far Eastern Shipbuilding. Seven pages are devoted to the Hongkong yards.

At the Supreme Court, yesterday, Mr. Maurice Murray Watson was admitted to practice and enrolled as a solicitor by Mr. Justice Gompertz, Acting Chief Justice.

The "Pharos" announce a grand variety performance at the Theatre Royal on February 15th and 16th, the proceeds are to be devoted to the Fund in aid of the dependents of the men lost in *Zg* submarine.

Madame Lottie Gordon has received a very sympathetic letter from Lady Stubbs, congratulating her, on behalf of H.E. the Governor and herself, on the great success of her charity concert at the Theatre Royal on Sunday last. Lady Stubbs adds that the programme was enjoyed immensely.

One case (one death) of diphtheria was reported in the health return for the 24 hours ended January 28th.

The building of the Deutsche-Asiatische Bank in Yokohama, together with the ground held on perpetual lease, has been purchased by the Kyoritsu Insurance Co., of Kyoto. The officials refused to state the price paid, but it is believed, the *Japan Gazette* says, to be somewhat in neighbourhood of ¥300,000.

Mr. Lindsell, at the Magistracy, yesterday, sentenced a Chinese to six months' imprisonment for stealing clothing from the *s.s. Hoiyang*, early the same morning. Eight previous convictions against the defendant since 1917 were proved, but it was explained that he had not been banished because he was a British subject, having been born in the New Territories.

Yokohama papers announce the death at sea of Captain W. P. C. Thompson (a Dane) who was formerly in the service of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, and just before his retirement had command of the *Atsuta Maru*. He had settled in Yokohama, and he and his wife were returning from a visit to their son in America. Capt. Thompson was taken ill with pneumonia, and succumbed. In accordance with his own wish he was buried at sea. Capt. Thompson was 72 years of age.

A brass tablet, in honour of the members of the Yokohama United Club who fell in the war, has been unveiled at the Club. The ceremony was performed by Mr. Hamilton Holmes, British Consul-General, and Mr. Dejarin, French Consul. The names on the tablet are J. Barnes, C. Cartwright, R. Dubuffet, W. Davidson, T. H. G. Kenderdine, K. Hardman, G. W. Hawkins, E. N. Lambert, D. Marshall, A. J. Scott, R. H. M. Seller, R. Singlehurst, N. L. Wells, J. Villedien.

H.E. the Governor distributed prizes at the Taungtoo School, in Kowloon City, on Wednesday. The school is run under the auspices of the Chinese Benevolent Association. Amongst those also present were a number of Chinese gentlemen, including Mr. Tsang Foo, the Chairman of the Free Schools group, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. Chan Pak-to, a distinguished *homme de lettres* under the Manchu regime, and many others who are concerned in the upkeep of the schools.

H.E. the Governor was accompanied by his Private Secretary (Capt. Warner), and the Hon. Mr. S. B. C. Ross (Secretary for Chinese Affairs).

FIRE IN PRATA EAST.

In the early hours of yesterday morning, the Fire Brigade was called to No. 77, Praya East, occupied by the Tai Hing Cheung firm of rattan furniture makers. The engines arrived ten minutes after the alarm had been given to find the ground floor well ablaze. The firemen managed to save the other floors and extinguish the fire. The extent of the damage done has not yet been ascertained, but the shop is insured to the extent of \$3,000 with the South British and the Tung On Insurance Companies.

THE DENNISTON PLAYERS.

At the Theatre Royal last night the Denniston Players played "The Lion and the Mouse," a deeply interesting drama by the late Chas. Klein, who has been described as "America's finest dramatist." The play was admirably interpreted and deserved a much larger house. The play has an American setting, the Lion of the piece being a financial Colossus, and the Mouse, the daughter of an honest upright Judge whom the Colossus threatens with ruin in order to remove obstacles to the success of his operations in the market. While the Judge's disgrace is being encompassed by imputations of dishonesty, on the part of the multi-millionaire, his son falls in love with the Judge's daughter, while they are on an ocean voyage. When the young lady eventually learns of the fate which threatens to overwhelm her father she sets herself to frustrate the dastardly designs, and the play is the story of her final triumph through the unconscious assistance of the financial octopus himself. It is certainly a play of compelling interest, and it was well presented. Mr. Leo Kennedy as the Financial Octopus filled the role as to the manner born, and Miss Wards Howard's work as the Judge's daughter was that of a clever and accomplished actress. The other leading players were Mr. Charles Bradley as the Judge, and Mr. W. D. Howard as the millionaire's son.

WELSH RAILWAY DISASTER:

EXPRESS CRASHES INTO LOCAL SEAMEN'S EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

LORD INCHCAPE'S THREAT TO UNION.

OUTLOOK IN MESOPOTAMIA:

REDUCTION OF GARRISON NOW POSSIBLE.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SEAMEN'S EIGHT-HOUR DAY

LORD INCHCAPE'S THREAT TO TRADE UNION.

LONDON, January 27th.

In a letter to the Times with regard to the suggestion now being considered at the Brussels Conference of giving seamen an eight-hour day, Lord Inchcape in most scathing terms attacks Trade Union dictation, and declares that the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co. may be forced next season to terminate her passenger services at a Continental port, in order to escape from the Maritime Wages Board's oppression.

CONDITIONS IN MESOPOTAMIA.

POSSIBLE TO REDUCE GARRISON.

LONDON, January 27th.

It is officially announced that the conditions in Mesopotamia have greatly improved. All the revolting tribes have submitted to the British garrison and surrendered large numbers of arms. Nearly the whole country is now quiescent. In view of the improved situation it will be possible to send away the Indian divisions which reinforced the garrison at the beginning of Autumn. Such progress has already been made with evacuation that it is expected that the whole of the additional troops will be withdrawn by the end of March. It is even possible by then that the garrison itself may be substantially reduced.

FIRE IN SMELTING WORKS.

BROKEN HILL MINES PROSPECTS.

MELBOURNE, January 27th.

It is estimated that a quarter of a million pounds damage has been done by a fire at the Port Pirie smelting works. Six hundred workers are idle. The works have been closed indefinitely. The fire may entail cessation of operations at the Broken Hill mines.

EARLIER CABLES.

RIOTS IN INDIA.

ORDER RESTORED AT RAI BAREILLY.

ALLAHABAD, January 26th.

Further agrarian riots have occurred in the Rai Bareilly district in the United Provinces, where a mob attacked the police guard, one constable being killed and two seriously injured. The police were compelled to fire. Some of the rioters were slightly wounded. The ringleaders have been arrested and order has been restored.

BOMBAY DEFENDANTS RELEASED.

BOMBAY, January 26th.

An unexpected denouement occurred when the seventeen men arrested in the rioting following the shooting of a pigeon were brought up at the Police Court. The Commissioner of Police desired that the case be withdrawn on the grounds of the previous good relations between the police and the community to which the majority of the arrested men, who are Hindu fanatics, belonged. The Magistrate, dismissing the case, paid a tribute to the Commissioner's foresight and tact.

BOMBAY BOURSE REOPENS.

BOMBAY, January 26th.

The Stock Exchange and the bullion and cotton markets have reopened.

CALCUTTA TAXI STRIKE.

MEN'S DEMANDS GRANTED.

CALCUTTA, January 27th.

The taxi drivers' strike has come to an end, the men's demands having been conceded pending arbitration.

MR. COLBY'S RETURN.

WASHINGTON, January 26th.

Mr. Colby, Secretary of State, has returned from South America.

LATEST CABLES.

WELSH RAILWAY DISASTER

HOW THE EXPRESS CRASHED INTO THE LOCAL.

LONDON, January 27th.

A man who missed his own compartment by getting in into a rear coach was found at the scene of the disaster in a demented condition, exclaiming: "My wife," "My wife," "My wife is there killed in the train."

The cause of the smash is being investigated.

A slow local usually waits at the loopline at Abermule station to allow the express to pass. Yesterday, the former for some unknown reason was allowed to continue. It was proceeding up an incline when the express rounded the bend at thirty miles an hour. The driver of the express did not see the local, owing to a curve, until within a hundred yards. Then he whistled and jammed on the brakes. The fireman jumped on one side and fell in a hedge. The driver jumped on the other side and fell in a hollow; the carriages turned over upon him, but the fireman rescued him.

SCENE OF INDESCRIBABLE CONFUSION.

LATER.

The details of the terrible disaster in North Wales are coming in slowly. At the scene of the collision, the confusion is indescribable; the tangled heap of wreckage stretches for 150 yards, the engines are piled up upon each other, and two front coaches of the express lie on their sides with a coach of the local train crushed beneath. It was necessary to chop up three coaches to extricate the dead and the injured.

Eye-witnesses say that the impact as the engines crashed was terrific. One third class coach crashed to Paddington of the express was reduced to matchwood and all but one of the passengers in it were killed. Lord Vane Tempest had both his legs amputated in the inferno before he died. The deathroll includes two Harrovians returning to school.

EARLIER CABLES.

MANY KILLED AND INJURED IN COLLISION.

LONDON, January 26th.

Twenty were killed and many injured in a head-on collision between a local train from Montgomery and the coast express at Abermule on the Cambrian Railway.

MODIFIED STATEMENT.

LONDON, January 26th.

It is officially announced that fourteen people were killed in the collision on the line from Newtown to Abermule between the Aberystwyth-Manchester express and a local passenger train going from Whitechurch to Aberystwyth. Eleven passengers and the driver, fireman and guard were among those killed.

REVISED CASUALTY LIST.

LATER.

A revised official statement concerning the Welsh railway collision places the casualties at seven passengers and three railwaymen killed. The number injured has not been ascertained.

The express was descending a steep gradient of single line and crashed into the local train, which ought to have crossed Abermule station. There was a fearful impact, in which the express suffered the more seriously. The express engine piled up above the slow train. The two first corridor carriages came off worst, the occupants being fatally injured. The driver and stoker of the slow train were killed; otherwise the passengers escaped with bruises. A curve in the line prevented the trains from seeing each other beforehand.

LORD HERBERT VANE-TEMPEST AMONG THE VICTIMS.

LONDON, January 26th.

Lord Herbert Vane-Tempest, uncle of Lord Londonderry, has succumbed at Newton infirmary to injuries sustained in the collision.

10 KILLED; 14 INJURED.

LONDON, January 27th.

Sixteen were killed and fourteen injured in the Abermule railway collision.

LATEST CABLES.

INTER-ALLIED CONFERENCE.

REPARATIONS PROBLEM STILL UNSETTLED.

PARIS, January 27th.

This morning the conference was held but a number of private conversations took place. The view is generally held that the British delegation will be able to depart on Sunday. The utmost secrecy continues with regard to the progress of the conference. It is thought unlikely, unless some new scheme is evolved, that anything very definite respecting reparations will be decided.

EARLIER CABLES.

WHAT FRANCE WANTS.

PARIS, January 26th.

M. Doumer, in the statement, dealt principally with Germany's debt to France and pointed out that the French Budget for 1921 provides 16,000 million francs for the reconstruction of the devastated regions and payment of war pensions, which must be recovered from Germany, in order to restore the financial equilibrium.

Mr. Lloyd George appeared greatly interested in the statement, and frequently questioned M. Doumer.

FRANCE QUOTES REPARATIONS FIGURES.

PARIS, January 27th.

M. Doumer, in a statement, placed reparations due to the Allies from Germany at 215 milliard gold marks, excluding the interest and payments already made. France required 110 milliard gold marks out of it.

Mr. Lloyd George queried the figures at several points, and requested M. Doumer to supplement the documents to-day. In the meantime, the British delegates are apparently adhering to the figures decided at the Boulogne Conference, and are supported in this question as well as with regard to the immediate determination of the total indemnity by Belgium. France, however, appears willing to accept the British figure only conditionally on receiving additional concessions involving priorities and the cancellation of inter-Allied debts.

It is hoped that the disarmament question will finally be disposed of to-day on the basis of the experts' report which recommends, *inter alia*, extending the area of occupation and prolonging the period of the Rhineland occupation as non-fiducial penalties.

RECOGNITION TO NEW NATIONS.

PARIS, January 26th.

An afternoon communique states that the Conference decided immediately to grant legal recognition to Estonia and Latvia. The question of the recognition of Lithuania was sympathetically viewed but the decision was deferred pending a settlement of the Vilna question by the League of Nations. The Conference entirely favoured the legal recognition of Georgia. If the latter prefers to request the Conference to reach a decision, military experts will report to-morrow.

THE REPARATIONS QUESTION.

PARIS, January 26th.

The Conference discussed the preliminary of the reparations question. M. Doumer, French Finance Minister, read a long statement, but its contents have not been divulged. Mr. Lloyd George, however, lunched with M. Briand, when the reparations question was discussed.

PRESIDENT MILLERAND ENTERAINS DIPLOMATS.

PARIS, January 27th.

M. Millerand gave a banquet to the Diplomatic Corps.

MILITARY EXPERTS' AGREEMENT.

PARIS, January 26th.

Reuter is informed that the military experts' agreement mentioned yesterday is in the nature of a compromise. It generally provides that the Germans must try out all the disarmament provisions of the Treaty and hand over everything by July 1st, while two-thirds must be completed by March 1st. The question of the various winter formations is not separately dealt with. Germany will be made acquainted with the Council's decision, either by a Protocol or Note.

WHAT GERMANY WANTS.

BERLIN, January 26th.

A communique with regard to reparations shows that Germany agrees to the Allied scheme of five annual instalments and desires that discussions settling the total debt should be held as soon as possible, instead of at the expiry of five years.

THE IRISH SITUATION.

ADMIRAL SIMS DENOUNCES SINN FEINISM.

BOSTON, January 26th.

Admiral Sims, addressing a loyal coalition mass meeting, declared that it was inconceivable how the American-Irish could support the Sinn Feiners, who were the implacable enemies of America during the war. Sinn Fein activities necessitated the diversion of vessels from conveying troops and merchantmen, with the result that many Americans were drowned. If Anglo-American difficulties were approached in a friendly spirit there need not be any misunderstanding.

AUSTRALIA'S QUESTION.

WILL GREAT BRITAIN FIGHT FOR WHITE AUSTRALIA POLICY?

LONDON, January 26th.

On the occasion of the 133rd anniversary of Australia's Foundation Day, Mr. Keith Murdoch, in an article to the Times, says that across the map of the British family of nations has suddenly come a black query mark demanding an answer. It is, in effect, how closely the Empire is going to hang together. He emphasises the fact that Australia felt the Japanese absorption of the Marshall and Caroline Islands acutely in war-time, yet fought on Great Britain's side with all her strength. He says that strategically Australia lost the war, when the map of the Pacific was changed to her disadvantage, giving a possible foe plentiful harbours within three days' sail of her coastline. So we come to the frank question whether Great Britain is as much prepared to maintain Australia's interests in the Pacific as Australia proved herself to be prepared to defend Great Britain's interests in Europe.

The object of the policy of White Australia, says the writer, is not mere economic selfishness, but the sacred cause of racial purity. Therefore, Australia demands the restoration of the *status quo* in the Pacific guarantee, if need be, by British guns. Will Great Britain, if need be, build great ships? Will she fight for a White Australia? Australians believe that the answer is Yes, but the question will be raised at the Imperial Conference in June, perhaps not by Australia only. Now that the Dominions are acknowledged as free nations in the Empire it may well be that a written pact will be asked for.

GERMAN WAR CRIMINALS.

STATEMENT BY GERMAN MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

BERLIN, January 26th.

The position with regard to the German war criminals was explained by the Minister of Justice in the Reichstag in a statement which evoked uproarious dissent from the Left when it concluded. The German authorities, the Minister said, had done everything to satisfy the demands of justice, but cannot convict anyone whose guilt was not clearly proven. The Minister said there were three categories of war criminals; firstly, those indicted by the Imperial Court but not connected with the Allies' demand for surrender; secondly, the Entente's list of nine hundred presented at the beginning of 1920; and, thirdly, 45 others in whose cases judgment was left to the Imperial Court by foreign States. The cases in the last category had been thoroughly examined. Those submitted by Italy, Serbia and Rumania were not finished. Those by Belgium and France were partially disposed of, and the case submitted by England had recently been settled. The British Prosecutor had, however, said that the list of cases submitted in no way exhausted the list. The British, French, and Belgian Governments had been requested to permit a representative of the Imperial Prosecutor to go to London, Paris, and Brussels to explain the difficulties of the prosecution. Permission from Great Britain had been received, and the delegate was going to London next week.

INDUSTRIAL CONDITIONS IN GERMANY.

REMARKABLE RECOVERY WITHIN SHORT TIME.

LONDON, January 27th.

Appropos Paris discussions, the Department of Overseas Trade publishes a report on the industrial and economic situation in Germany prepared by Mr. Thelwell, Commercial Secretary to the British Embassy in Berlin. It strikingly bears evidence to improvements in all departments of life, except State finance. The opinion is expressed, however, that the danger of bankruptcy is not likely to materialise. The report pays a tribute to the characteristic skill with which industrial leaders have not only survived the most trying times but made good business out of it and paid substantial dividends. The principal feature of last year's industrial activity was co-operation with foreign groups and combines within the country, particularly in iron, steel, coal and chemical industries.

NEW BRITISH EMPIRE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

INAUGURATION IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, January 27th.

The British Empire Chamber of Commerce in the United States has been inaugurated.

The British Empire Chamber of Commerce in the United States has been constituted, and an advisory committee appointed. A charter has already been obtained. All the Dominions will be represented in the new institution, which will start work immediately. It is hoped to establish branches throughout the United States.

FINANCIAL OUTLOOK.

BRITISH BANK MAGNATES' ESTIMATE.

LONDON, January 26th.

Mr. F. C. Goodenough, presiding at a meeting of the shareholders of Barclay's Bank, pointed out that most manufacturers were carrying abnormal stocks at present. The stocks in the cotton industry were valued at 50 to 60 million sterling above the usual supplies. It was ascribed to lack of purchasing power abroad. He foreshadowed that Great Britain would necessarily face great and increasing competition owing to the restricted markets and to Germany and others producing again. He drew attention to the anxiety as regards German competition, owing to the internal exceeding the external value of the mark. As long as this obtained Germany would have a hold on the world's markets. He believed that Great Britain, owing to her unique knowledge and experience, must take the lead in re-opening the trade of Europe, which is essential to our industrial recovery. He suggested that it might pay us to make concessions in respect to debt owing to us by the Allied Governments, provided that our own ability to pay was unimpaired.

The Chairman of the Bank of Liverpool and Martin's, at the annual meeting, pointed out that a similar demand, as in England, for credit obtained in the United States. He was of opinion that the high bank rate had now done its work, and he hoped that it would soon be possible to reduce it. He pointed out that the Government repaid a considerable amount of its home and foreign debt through internal taxation, which helped to maintain credit abroad. He hoped consequently that the Chancellor would lighten the burden of taxation during this period of commercial depression.

AMERICAN MERCANTILE MARINE.

SHIPPING BOARD WITHDRAWS MORE TONNAGE.

WASHINGTON, January 26th.

The Shipping Board has authorised the withdrawal of an additional 125,000 deadweight tons of shipping from the Atlantic, Gulf and Pacific ports.

STEAMSHIP OWNERS SUGGEST REVISION OF WAGES.

NEW YORK, January 26th.

Owing to depression in the shipping trade, the American Steamship Owners' Association has formally requested the Seafarers' and Firemen's Unions at the Atlantic and Gulf ports to accept a revision of the wages working agreements at the earliest date practicable, by which the Association hopes to meet foreign competition and to restore many idle ships to service.

SWEDISH CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM.

EXTENSION OF FRANCHISE.

STOCKHOLM, January 26th.

Both chambers of the Riksdag have ratified amendments to the Constitution extending the franchise to men and women irrespective of previous restrictions affecting those who had not paid taxes. Women will become eligible for the Riksdag and one common election day will be arranged for the Riksdag, while the King will henceforth elect the President and Vice-President.

NOBEL PEACE PRIZE.

HELSINKI, January 26th.

The Finnish Government has unanimously decided to recommend the Nobel Committee to award the Peace Prize to the American Red Cross, on the ground of its blessed activities which materially relieved suffering during the war, served the purpose of humanity and promoted the mutual solidarity of nations.

CHEAP STEAMERS.

IMPOSSIBLE TO BUILD AT PRESENT PRICES.

LONDON, January 26th.

The newly-elected President of the Swansea Chamber of Commerce stated that steamers worth £100,000 a year ago were now obtainable under £40,000. There were no buyers and it was quite impossible to build them at such a price.

AUSTRALIAN SHIPPING STRIKE.

SHIPOWNERS' DEMAND GUARANTEE.

MELBOURNE, January 26th.

Although the marine stewards have called off the strike, the shipowners are resolved not to resume services until the seamen and maritime unions have guaranteed uninterrupted work under the existing agreements.

DEATH OF DUTCH MINISTER TO GREECE.

ATHENS, January 26th.

The Dutch Minister, M. Desturien, has succumbed to influenza.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[BY COURTESY OF THE "CHINA MAIL"]

STRAITS INCOME-TAX.

SINGAPORE, January 26th.

The Straits Government has again imposed income-tax for the ensuing year.

DEATH OF SIR GEORGE BARCLAY.

LONDON, January 26th.

The death of Sir George Barclay is announced. [Sir George Barclay spent his career in the diplomatic service, being first Secretary of Legation at Tokyo and then Counsellor of Embassy there, while he was later Minister at Constantinople.]

SALVATION ARMY APPEAL FOR CHINA FAMINE RELIEF.

LONDON, January 27th.

General Bramwell Booth, in a letter to the Daily Telegraph, is appealing for at least £10,000 for the immediate relief of famine sufferers in China.

JAPANESE REPLY TO LANGDON NOTE.

WASHINGTON, January 27th.

The Japanese reply to the Langdon Note promises a thorough investigation. Admiral Greaves has informed the Navy Department that the American Court of Inquiry at Vladivostok has decided that Langdon was the victim of an unwarranted attack by a Japanese sentry, and warned Staff Officers to instruct Africa to exercise more precaution in future.

UNLICENSED JAPANESE IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

SYDNEY, January 27th.

One hundred unlicensed Japanese were discovered among the recent rioters in Broome, and were conveyed to Thursday Island to await deportation by a Japanese vessel.

VITAL STATISTICS OF ENGLAND AND WALES.

RECORD BIRTH-RATE. LOWEST DEATH-RATE.

LONDON, January 26th.

The Registrar-General states that the birth-rate in England and Wales in 1920 was 24.44 per 1,000 and the death-rate 12.4 per 1,000. The deaths of children under one year were 80 per 1,000. The birth-rate was the highest in the decade. The death-rate and the infant mortality rates were the lowest on record. The number of births was the highest on record and of deaths the lowest since 1863, when the population was only 20,000,000.

IMPERIAL FORCES.

NO USE TINKERING WITH COST QUESTION.

LONDON, January 26th.

Field-Marshal Sir William Robertson, in a speech in the City, said that it was useless attempting to tinker with the question of the cost of Imperial services until Great Britain's world policy was settled when experts would say what force would be required. A standard policy and a comprehensive view of the whole question of Imperial defences were essential stages to any intelligent reduction of expenditure as regards Imperial forces.

SUBMARINE ORDER FOR GERMANY.

AGAINST VERSAILLES TREATY.

BERLIN, January 26th.

The *Berliner Zeitung* reports from a Dutch newspaper reports that the Netherlands Government has ordered twelve submarine engines from an Augsburg factory. If the factory undertakes the work it will, apparently, contravene the Versailles Treaty.

FRENCH REVENUE RETURNS.

EXPANDING EXPORTS, BUT STILL ADVERSE TRADE BALANCE.

PARIS, January 26th.

The revenue returns show an increase of French exports last year of Fr. 10,355,000,000 compared with the previous year. The commercial balance is improved by 103 billion francs, but a deficit of 13 billion francs remains, representing the excess of imports over exports.

PANAMA PROTEST.

AGAINST ACQUISITION OF LAND.

WASHINGTON, January 27th.

M. Le Fort, the Panama Charge d'Affaires has lodged a protest with the States Department against the seizure of Panama territory for the defence of the Canal Zone, on the ground that Panama should be consulted.

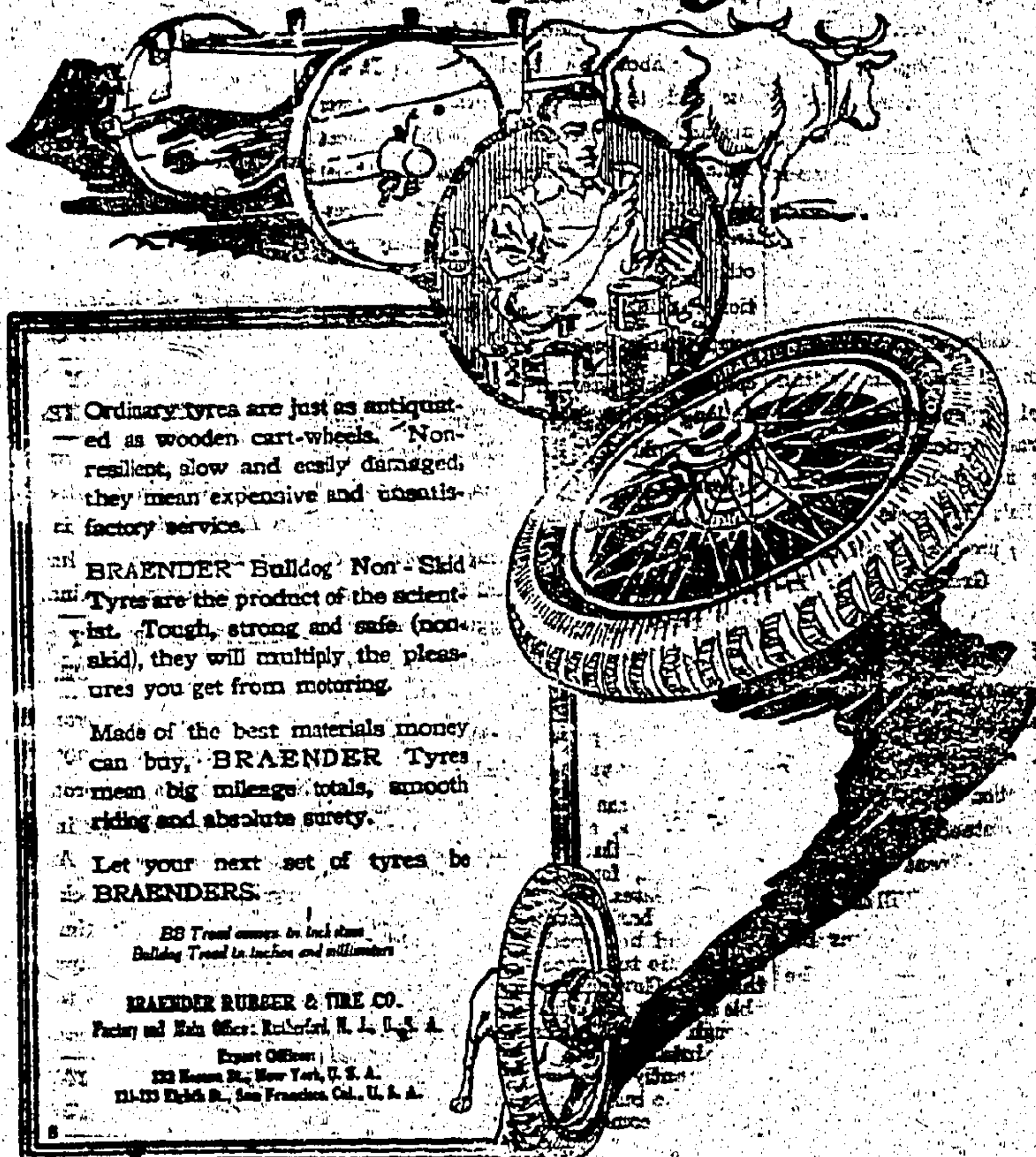
UNEMPLOYMENT IN SWEDEN.

STOCKHOLM, January 26th.

There are now 35,000 unemployed in Sweden, besides 40,000 on short time.

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BERLIN'S "COURTESY WEEK."

A "Courtesy Week" has just been held in Great Berlin. This experiment arose out of a letter to the Press, in which a Berliner who had returned after many years abroad complained of the degeneracy of the city's manners. The *Morgenpost*, in which the letter was printed, took the matter to heart, and offered over two hundred prizes, ranging in value from a thousand marks downwards, as a stimulus to politeness in the capital and its immediate environs. For a week members of the paper's staff spent their days and nights wandering, with watchful eyes, through those public places where men and women most do congregate. Whenever they observed an act of conspicuous courtesy, they scooped the person from whom it proceeded and handed to her or him a paper qualifying for the competition. At the same time they made detailed notes of the case. The rewards will be made by a prize court after the reports of the observers have been carefully weighed and compared. Although the *Morgenpost* has no political significance, it probably has the biggest individual circulation in Berlin, and the firm which publishes it owns several other popular papers, such as the *Freie Presse*, *Zeitung* and *Berliner Zeitung*, so that the competition has been well advertised and is generally known. The *Morgenpost* was careful to emphasize that it did not aim merely at a temporary improvement of manners from motives of pecuniary interest, but hoped that through its initiative Berliners "will become permanently polite." That is certainly a little sanguine, for the prevailing rule in trains, trams, and theatre cloak-rooms is each for himself and the devil take the hindmost; and if a man gives up his seat to a woman the botting is long odds, that he is a foreigner. However, the first step to improvement is recognition that it is needed, and the *Morgenpost* has, at any rate, made a beginning in that direction.

MANNERS MAKETH MAN. IS ENGLAND THE MOST POLITE NATION.

The following article by Mr. Lucien Jones is a departure from his usual contributions to *Daily Express* as a foreign correspondent. Whether readers agree or disagree with his estimate of European and English manners, they will find his opinions extremely entertaining. Are we the politest nation in the world?

Recently, I heard at an international gathering at Bukarest a charming Rumanian hostess say, "I love Englishmen. I think they're so polite, and above all, show true courtesy to women." Now, if you watched the Englishman abroad and compared his mode of address and his society manners with any Frenchman, Italian, Greek, or German who happened to be present, you might take him for an unmannerly dolt. Think of the difference of greeting. An Englishman says simply, "How d'ye do!" on meeting, and "Good-bye" on parting, with perhaps, a slight inclination of the head.

A Frenchman, seeing his hostess for the first time, bows profoundly, raises her hands to his lips, and exclaims, "Enchanté de faire votre connaissance, chère madame," thus expressing his enchantment at making her acquaintance. On leaving he again bows himself double, re-kisses her hand, and says, "Mille remerciements pour votre charmant accueil," offering no fewer than a thousand thanks for her charming welcome.

ELABORATE AND INSINCERE. A German behaves in much the same way as a Frenchman with his "Kuss die Hande, Gnädigste" (I kiss your hand, most gracious one). Other nations have equally elaborate and insincere forms of approach.

But observe these foreigners when the eyes of society are not turned on them. Rarely on the Continent have I seen a man offer his seat to a woman in crowded omnibuses, trains, or trams.

I know a venerable professor of medicine at the University of Vienna. In the crowded Austrian street cars, where weary, half-starved women clutched at straps and young men lounged at ease on the seats, he would get up and offer his seat, saying, in a loud voice, "Madame, as I am the youngest man in this train, I have much pleasure in offering you my seat."

The Poles excel all nations which have an abundance of superficial manners. Elaborate ceremonies are gone through on paying a visit. After a meal the visitor must get up and shake hands all round. On parade a Polish officer when meeting his brother officers for the first time, salutes, bows, shakes hands, dinks his heels, and again salutes. He repeats the motions at every conceivable opportunity.

Englishmen appear to be extremely popular with European women. I asked the wife of a Hungarian politician why this was so. "I like," she replied, "and I think I am speaking for the great majority, your simple, direct way. Then, again, you show to women an inbred respect which Continental men seem to lack."

LETTER WRITING IN A GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT.

Whitehall has a "poet laureate" in Mr. Edward McCurdy (brother of the Food Controller), who spent three years at the Penitentiary Ministry and is obviously not impressed very favourably by the methods of Government departments. In "Lays of a Limpet," there is an amusing disclosure of the process of letter writing: "When I have written the draft of a letter, and written it just as well as I can, I go to another to write it better. And he writes it better, that other man. He takes my draft and he always tries to cross my 'y's' and to dot my 'i's.' And, as every sailor must learn to know, he alters last month to 'ultimo.' And when with me the floor he's wiped, He sends the letter away to be typed."

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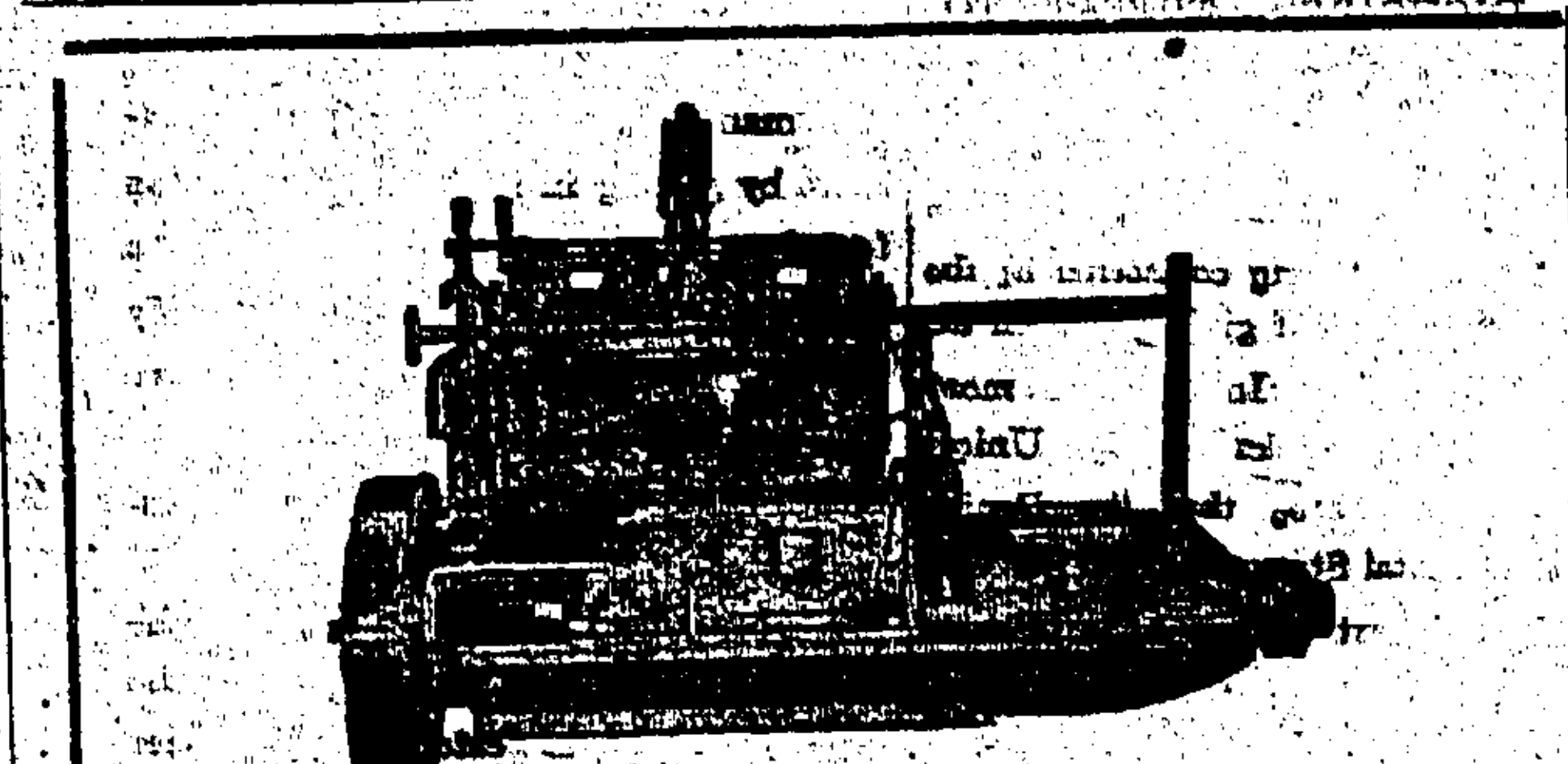
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Taking the game all over, the Edinburgh pack was the better one, and despite the fact that G. W. Simpson, of Heriot's, was badly hurt in the early stages. It was amazing that he persevered to the end of the game. Where the Edinburgh forwards were easily the better, was in the fight for the ball. For long stretches on end it came out regularly on their side, and seldom was J. Hume played a better game. In the loose, too, they were as good as their opponents, though the Glasgow pack had many telling rushes, if they did not keep the ball as they ought to have done. As prominent as any was J. P. Thomson, the Watsonian, playing a dashing game in the open and getting credit for good work in the tight, though the penalty goal from which Glasgow threw level was from a free against him for picking up in the scrum.

The find of the match was J. Hume. Generally assumed to have reached the veteran stage, and only getting his place because O. S. Nimmo and J. A. R. Selby could not accept the Royal High School player revelled in the game. There was nothing he would not tackle, and no rush too fierce for him to go down to, and always he was up in the helter-skelter of a game that was never slow. R. S. Benfrew, was clever, but could make no show against Hume.

Neither stand-off came quite up to expectation. R. L. H. Donald least so. A. T. Sloan has played better football, and often he tried to do too much on his own account. He was the better of the two, and kept his place for the next trial, while Donald, a player with distinct possibilities, has found a berth in the three-quarter line.

Taking it all over, the three-quarter play was disappointing. There was a deal of flashy work, especially from the Glasgow line, which led to nothing tangible. It was here that Edinburgh held the advantage, for J. W. S. McCrow, who was hitting it off nicely with Sloan, seldom handled without gaining ground, and it was to him more than to any one else that Edinburgh got the win. The try he scored himself was the cleverest thing of the afternoon. I. Tait left various impressions. His manner of scoring his try raised the hope that he was an internationalist in the making, but later when the game was running against his side, his defence was uncertain, and he lacked resource in the emergencies. E. B. Mackay, on the other hand, was a hero in defence, and while he did not find the game-run kindly for him, his readiness to score when his partner had kicked ahead was a distinct point in his favour. As between Tait and Mackay, the verdict of the crowd would have been in favour of the Glasgow Academician. E. McLaren came through his first trial with credit, and the plain, matter-of-fact and easily circumvented work of W. C. Johnston and G. V. Stewart told against them.

Neither full back gave an impressive display, but R. M. Weir put in a lot of sound tackling.

CITIES XV. NORTH AND SOUTH.
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Syme is a sturdy forward, weighing close on 14 stones.
The surprise selection in the Anglo-Scots team was B. G. D. Rudd, the Oxford sprinter. Although a Colonial born, he is of pure Highland descent.

H. H. Forsyth, a South African of Scottish descent, who is playing for Oxford, is reputed to be the greatest full back that has been at the English University since Strand Jones' day. He is to be given a trial in the Anglo-Scots.

J. B. la Grange, who played in the North trial, is another South African, and was the leading forward in Stellenbosch College prior to coming to Aberdeen. He is a clean-limbed young fellow, and a grand forward.
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Hongkong Observatory, January 27th.

	Days On Date	On Date	On Date
	Day	at	at
	at 3 p.m.	6 a.m.	2 p.m.
Barometer	30.06	30.05	29.99
Temperature	74	63	66
Humidity	53	69	68
Wind Direction	East	ENE	East
Force	3	4	5
Weather	b	c	c
Rain			

Highest open-air Temperature on 26th: 75°

Lowest open-air Temperature on 27th: 62°

SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP IN RUGBY.

The Scottish Schools Championship is proving most interesting that was anticipated; what may be termed an outside team may prove victorious. George Watson's College. It is a side that has ability and strength in every match played. They have only been scored against in Schools football by the strong Glasgow High School lot; and they have their 80-points victory over Merchiston to show their value. But they have a long way to travel yet before coming out on top.

ASSOCIATION LEAGUE.

In the Scottish League the most meritorious result was the success of the Scottish Cup-holders, Kilmarnock, who broke Clyde's record of undefeated at home. Third Lanark were less convincing than of late, but were still able to lower the colours of St. Mirren. Although they went down before Rangers, the amateur Queen's Park gave quite a good display and seem on the turn in the matter of form. Celtic surmounted one of the obstacles in their path by defeating Falkirk. Albion Rovers played a capital game, and deserved their win from Morton. There was little of note in the other matches, the scores being pretty equally divided; no surprises were sprung.
Rangers, 3; Queen's Park, 1.
Falkirk, 1; Celtic, 3.
Patrick Thistle, 1; Dumbarton, 0.
Aberdeen, 1; Arbroath, 0.
Albion Rovers, 3; Morton, 2.
Ayr, 1; Dundee, 1.
Clyde, 1; Kilmarnock, 2.
Fife, 1; Clydebank, 1.
Motherwell, 2; Hearts, 2.
Raith Rovers, 1; Hamilton, 0.
Third Lanark, 3; St. Mirren, 1.

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ARRIVALS

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Kawachi Maru, Japanese str., 5,878 tons, Capt. G. Tami, from Moji, with a general cargo.—N.Y.K.
Shan Shing, Chinese str., 297 tons, Capt. G. A. do Souza, from K. O. Wan, with a general cargo.—Po On S.S. Co.
January 27th.
Agamemnon, British str., 4,401 tons, Capt. J. L. Spott, from New York, with a general cargo.—B. & S.
Olingto, British str., 1,333 tons, Capt. Leitch, from Bangkok and Swallow, with a general cargo.—B. & S.
Gwan Maru, Japanese str., 2,633 tons, Capt. Chichoshi, from Wakamatsu, with coal.—M.B.K.
Gujarat, British str., 2,909 tons, Capt. Mercer, from Singapore, with a general cargo.—Nemasee.
Hupoh, British str., 1,906 tons, Capt. Pennerfether, from Bangkok, with a general cargo.—B. & S.
Hui Kong, Chinese str., 1,292 tons, Capt. Smith, from Canton, with a general cargo.—C.M.S.N.
King Sing, British str., 1,223 tons, Capt. T. M. Meyrick, from Wei-hai-wei and Tsingtau, with a general cargo.—J.M. & Co.
Nishiren Maru, Japanese str., 1,188 tons, Capt. Fumaguchi, from Mito, with coal.—M.B.K.
Rajah of Sarawak Sarawak str., 950 tons, Capt. Lawrie, from Saigon, with rice.—Carroll Bros.
West India, American str., 5,775 tons, Capt. Oligreen, from Saigon, with rice.—S. & D.
West Jersey, American str., 3,538 tons, Capt. Storrwick, from Manila, with a general cargo.—S. & D.

PASSENGERS

DEPARTURES

For s.s. N.Y.K. on January 27th.—Mr. T. M. Armstrong, Mr. R. Bell, Mr. B. Helstrom, Mr. and Mrs. T. Davies, Miss R. P. Nicolet, Mr. B. B. Owen, Mr. W. Robillard, Mr. J. Stainburn, Mr. P. G. Sullivan, Mrs. C. A. Taswell, Miss S. Whelpton.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS

The P. & O. s.s. Lahore left Singapore for Hongkong on the 28th instant at noon, and is due here on February 3rd about 6 a.m.
The N.Y.K. s.s. Taiyo Maru (Colombia Chengtu, British str., 1,333 tons, Capt. Iino) left Calcutta on January 23rd, and is expected here on February 12th.
The N.Y.K. s.s. Tanaka Maru (Australia line) left Sydney on January 26th, and is expected here on February 14th.

VESSELS EXPECTED.
Abercrombie (Admiral line), due about January 31st.
Albatross, due March 11th.
Aetolichus, due March 28th.
Bombay Maru, from Calcutta, due January 30th.
Dunera (P. & O.), from Singapore, due January 31st, about 6 a.m.
Duguesne (Barber line), from New York, due about February 2nd.
Eldridge (Admiral line), due about February 28th.
Epigon, due March 20th.
Express of Russia, from Vancouver, due February 28th.
Fuyuhara, due February 6th.
Homocous, due March 3rd.
Japon, due March 10th.
Kikano Maru, from London, due March 2nd.
Lougher Castle, due February 6th.
Mikima Maru, from London, due February 1st.
Powlett (Admiral line), due March 7th.
Proterus (Blue Funnel line), from Yokohama, due January 25th.
Pyrrhus, due March 31st.
Sesame (Barber line), from New York, due about February 15th.
Shinyu Maru (T.K.K.), due January 30th.
Tevras (Blue Funnel), due February 6th.
Telemachus (Blue Funnel), due April 12th.
Wakasa Maru, from Liverpool, due March 3rd.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONGKONG.

FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY.

Date	Sunrise	Sunset
January		
28th	7.04	6.09
29th	7.04	6.09
30th	7.03	6.10
31st	7.03	6.11
February 1st	7.03	6.12

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WEATHER REPORT.

January 27th, at 11.55.—Pressure has decreased moderately at Haiphong and Quang Chau Wan, and slightly at other reporting stations.

An anti-cyclone is central over S. Manchuria.
The monsoon will moderate along the southeast coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.11 inch against an average of 1.11 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

DISTRICT FORECAST.
Hongkong to Gap Rock N winds, fresh, moderating, fine to cloudy
Formosa Channel N.E. winds, strong, moderating

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Loading	For	Sailing on or about
"AMELAND" February	ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG	1st Feb.
"ALDEBRAMIN" March	AMSTERDAM & HAMBURG	1st Mar.

For full particulars please apply to—

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ELLERMAN & BUCKNALL S.S. CO. LTD.

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General Agents.C. N. C.
CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

For	Steamer	To Sail
SHANGHAI	"SUNNING"	On 28th Jan. D'Night
SWATOW and SINGAPORE	"CHANGHONG"	On 29th Jan. D'Night
BANGKOK	"SINGPO"	On 30th Jan. D'Night
PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KAIYONG"	On 31st Jan. 8 A.M.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"HAIYONG"	On 31st Jan. 8 A.M.
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"YINGKOW"	On 31st Jan. 4 P.M.
BANGKOK	"CHIHAI"	On 31st Jan. 4 P.M.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SHUNTEN"	On 31st Jan. 10 A.M.
SWATOW and BANGKOK	"CHENG TU"	On 1st Feb. 9 A.M.
AMOY, SHANGHAI & PUKOW	"SZECHUEN"	On 1st Feb. Noon.

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AND RETURN

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL SAILINGS (South)

S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"DELTA"	8,000	5th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DUNERA"	5,400	15th Feb.	Suez, Colombo, & Bombay.
"LAHORE" (Cargo)	5,300	27th Feb.	do
"KASHGAR"	9,000	4th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"ALIPORE"	5,300	14th Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"DILWARA"	5,400	8th Mar.	do
"KARMAIA"	8,000	18th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	9,000	25th Mar.	do

BRITISH INDIA - APCAR SAILINGS (South)

"TAKADA" 7,000 13th Feb. Calcutta via Suez & Suez.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"KNOXNA"	7,100	16th Feb.	Sandakan, Thursday Island,
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	28th Mar.	Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane,
Calls at Hoilo			Sydney & Melbourne.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

"JAPAN"	10,000	28th Jan. 8 A.M.	Amoy, Shanghai & Kobe.
"LAHORE"	5,500	31st Jan.	Shanghai Only.
"KNOXNA"	7,000	31st Jan.	Japan direct.
"DUNERA"	5,400	1st Feb. Noon.	Shanghai.
"KASHGAR"	9,000	2nd Feb.	Shanghai & Japan.

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1st Saloon Passengers may travel by B.I.S.N. Company's Steamers between Singapore and Calcutta on Singapore and Madras in lieu of the section of their P. & O. Tickets Singapore to Calcutta.
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Parcels measuring not more than 24 ft. x 2 ft. x 2 ft. will be received at the Company's Office up to Noon on the day previous to sailing.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

Consignees are reminded of the necessity to apply to the Company's Agents regarding arrival of consignments expected of which they have received documents or advice.
Any damaged packages must be left in the Godown for examination by the Consignee, and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GORDON & DOUGLAS, at 10 A.M. on MONDAYS and THURSDAYS. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown.

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SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

LONDON, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG—Monthly direct

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"HIMALAYA MARU" ... Thursday, 10th Feb.

BUENOS AIRES—RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTO, MAURITIUS,

DURBAN & CAPE TOWN via SINGAPORE. PASSENGER SERVICE.

"SEATTLE MARU" ... Tuesday, 8th Mar.

BOMBAY & COLOMBO—Regular fortnightly service via Singapore.

"GANGES MARU" ... Thursday, 2nd Feb.

BAIGON, BANGKOK & SINGAPORE—Regular monthly service.

"ANNAN MARU" ... Wednesday, 2nd Feb.

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"AFRICA MARU" ... Monday, 28th Feb.

NEW YORK—Regular monthly service via Japan Ports, San Francisco, Panama and

Colon Ports.

"ALASKA MARU" ... Middle of February.

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"HAMBURG MARU" ... Monday, 7th Feb.

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KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY—These steamers have excellent accommoda-

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TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.

"BOSU MARU" ... Thursday, 10th Feb.

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HONGKONG TO PHILIPPINES AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

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SAILING SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

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STEAMER	TONS	LEAVE HONGKONG
"SHINYO MARU"	22,000	Feb. 7th.
"FUSHA MARU"	9,000	Feb. 15th.
"KOBAMA MARU"	20,000	Feb. 24th.
"SHINRA-MARU"	20,000	March 7th.
Calls at Dairen instead of Nagasaki.		March 18th.

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CHUI, BALBOA, CALLAO, MOLLEDO, ARICA & IQUIQUE.

Through by TRANS-ANDIAN ROUTE to BUENOS AIRES.

STEAMER	TONS	LEAVE HONGKONG
"KEIYO MARU"	18,700	Feb. 15th.
"ANYO MARU"	18,700	March 15th.
"HAYO MARU"	14,000	April 9th.
"SHIYO MARU"	14,000	May 13th.

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FRENCH MAIL LINES.

SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMER	STEAMER & DEPARTURE	SAILING DATE
"FORTHOS"	10,000	On or about 8th Feb.
"CORDILLERE"	10,000	On or about 24th Feb.
"CHILI"	10,000	On or about 18th Mar.

"MARSEILLES" via "PAUL LECAT" 20,000 On or about 31st Jan.
"PAUL LECAT" 20,000 On or about 31st Jan.
"FORE COLOMBO" 10,000 On or about 10th Feb.
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"FAWLET" ... About Mar. 7th.
"COAXET" ... About April 4th.

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CHINA-AUSTRALIA MAIL S.S. LINE.

For AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA & SANDAKAN.

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"GABO" February 22nd.

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INWARD MAILS.

FROM	PER	DATE
SHANGHAI	Suez (Letters only)	28th inst.
Swatow via Suez (Letters only)		28th inst.
London 23rd Dec.		
STRAITS AND CALOUTTA	Bombay Maru	20th inst.
SHANGHAI	Chienyang	21st inst.
STRAITS	Chienyang	21st inst.
STRAITS	Mishima Maru	1st Feb.
STRAITS	Lahore	3rd Feb.

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	PER	DATE
Keelung	Nichiren Maru	Friday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.
Philippine Is., Straits, Bangkok & Egypt	Agamemnon	Friday, 28th, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China	Dr. Pierre Benoit	Friday, 28th, 2.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands	Taiwan	Friday, 28th, 2.00 P.M.
Pakhol and Haiphong	Kaifeng	Friday, 28th, 2.00 P.M.
Amoy, Shanghai, North China, and Japan	Yokohama	Friday, 28th, 2.00 P.M.
Swatow, Straits and Bangkok	Changchow	Friday, 28th, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China	Huayang	Friday, 28th, 2.00 P.M.
Bangkok	Ningpo	Friday, 28th, 2.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands, Shanghai, North China, Japan, Canada, United States, Central and South America, and EUROPE via VANCOUVER, B.C.	Tajima Maru	Saturday, 29th, 8.45 A.M.
Bangkok	Ohimi	Saturday, 29th, 11.00 A.M.
Shanghai and North China	Yokohama	Saturday, 29th, 2.00 P.M.
Swatow and Haiphong	Huayang	Saturday, 29th, 2.00 P.M.
Swatow, Shanghai and North China	Kaifeng	Saturday, 29th, 2.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Keelung	Amakusa Maru	Sunday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy, and Fookchow	Hai Hong	Sunday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Shanghai and North China	Shantien	Sunday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Shanghai and North China	Kuangsang	Monday, 31st, 5.0 P.M.

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"PYRRHUS"	3RD MAY. for London.
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On Paris—Bank Bills, on demand	770
Credit, at 4 months sight	770
On New York—Bank Bills, on demand	54
Credit, at 60 days sight	54
On Bombay—Telegraphic Transfer	198
Bank Bills, on demand	198
On Calcutta—Telegraphic Transfer	198
Bank Bills, on demand	198
On Shanghai—Bank Bills, at sight	110
Private, 30 days sight	110
On Yokohama—On demand—Pescos	110
On Singapore—On demand	114
On Batavia—On demand	107
On Saigon—On demand	107
On Bangkok—On demand	74
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A. G. STEPHEN, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, December 29th, 1920. [9]

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TSUYE PEI, Manager.

Hongkong, November 24th, 1920. [73]

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J. L. CHOCORATT, Manager.

Hongkong, January 1st, 1921. [50]

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(FRENCH BANK).

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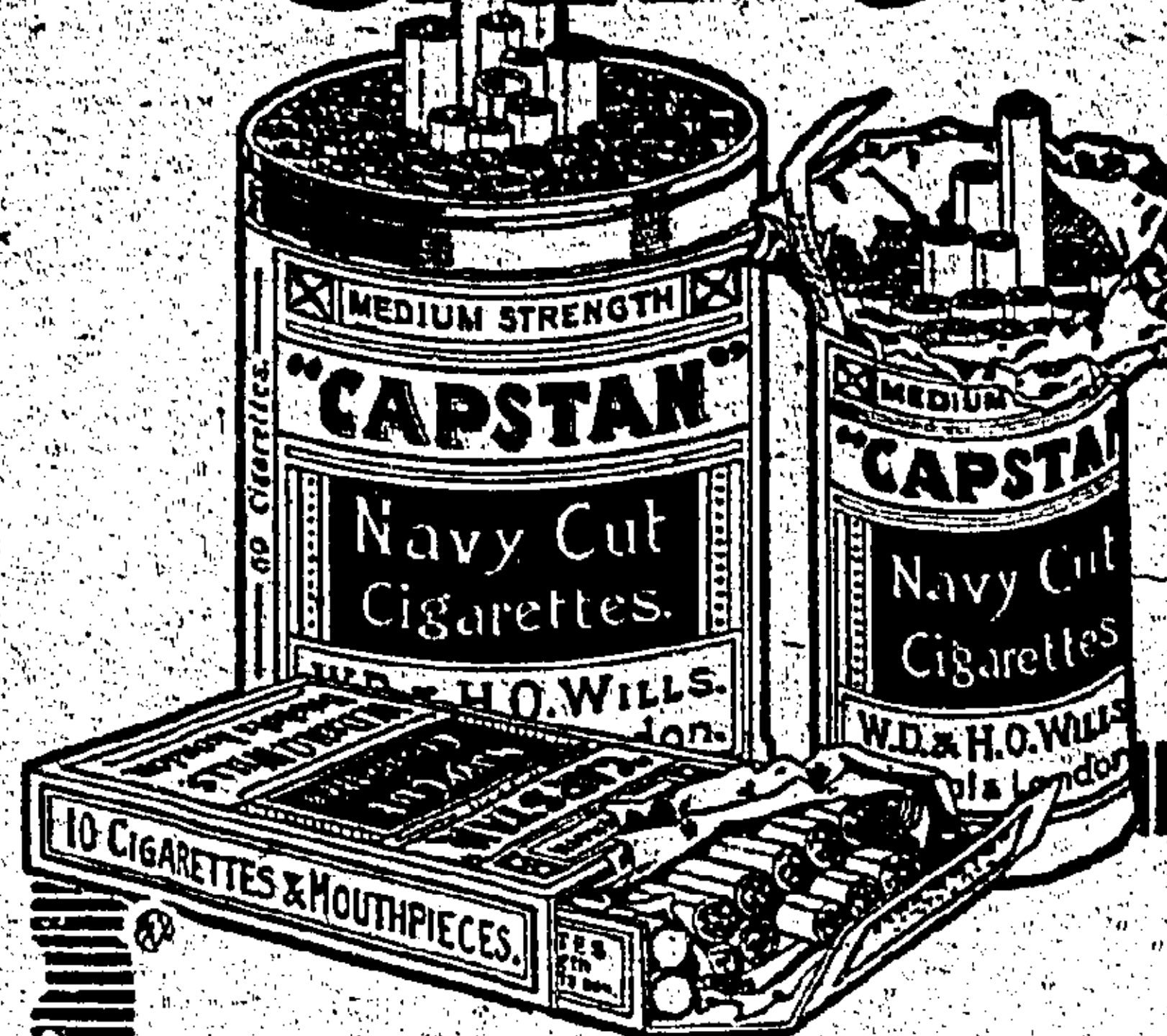
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M. MONTABIN, Manager.

Hongkong, January 20th, 1921. [51]

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S. KONDOH, Manager.

HONGKONG BRANCH, 3, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong, September 1st, 1920. [41]

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HEAD OFFICE—

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RESERVE FUND 200,000.00

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Mr. Li Koon Chun.

Mr. Fung Ping Shan.

Mr. P. K. Kwok.

Mr. Ng Chang Lok.

Chief Manager Mr. Kan Yung Po.

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KAN YUNG PO, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, October 1st, 1920. [61]

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HEAD OFFICE:

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Subscribed Capital £1,800,000

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N. C. WILSON, Acting Manager.

7, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, June 30th, 1920. [43]

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